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REMARKS:

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1. a. Troops and material were entrained at the Meiningen (M 51/H 52) freight station on 19 April 1950.

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b. Two 140-man units with black-bordered red epaulets marched to the railroad station about noon.

c. A train of 10 boxcars, 47 flatcars and 1 coach left the station about 3 p.m., allegedly bound for Ohrdruf.

d. The two southern buildings of the Barbara Kaserne were fully illuminated in the evening but only a few windows were lighted in the two northern buildings.

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3. It was said that the Meiningen county kommandatura was moved to Schmalkalden, where, allegedly, several kommandaturas were merged. **

4. A policeman said that the Meiningen barracks were occupied by 800 troops of a regimental headquarters and an infantry battalion.

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████████ comment: Departure of the Meiningen units of the 39th Gds Mz Rifle Div, according to the reported motor vehicle numbers. The units moved to Ohmdorf along with the entire division.***

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████████ comment: The merger of several Kommandaturas was also observed in other parts of the Soviet Zone of Germany after the reorganization of the SVA into the SCC.

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